

of \$100,000; cotton yarns an increase of 3,000 piculs; grey shirtings a decrease of no less than 16,332,402 yards, or nearly one half less than 1876; dyed shirtings an increase from 257,456 yards to 1,661,677. The value of miscellaneous local imports was \$400,000 less than the previous year. In summing up the results of the year's general import business Mr Robertson seems a little more hopeful than his statistics warrant, unless, indeed, he thinks the depression in trade they evince is temporary, having been caused by the unsettled state of the country, and other passing causes. He says: "I am inclined to believe that on the whole the import trade of the year has been on a fairly steady basis, and though profits may have been small, on the other hand any large losses have been avoided. The prices at various producing markets are now so low that the probability of loss seems reduced to a minimum."

The export trade also appears to have languished. The export of silk amounted to 17,230 piculs, valued at \$9,026,931, as against 18,418 piculs, valued at \$13,191,710 in 1876. In regard to tea, the export was 1,106,092 piculs, valued at \$2,613,188, as against 1,115,994 piculs, valued at \$3,473,178 in 1876. The tea exported from England and other countries was \$1,725,008; from the open ports of Japan, \$6,503,338; exported to England and other countries, \$8,010,884; to open ports in Japan, \$19,004,430.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE outward French Mail passed Cape St. James at 5.45 p.m. yesterday (Thursday).

THE P. & O. S. S. *Kashgar*, with the outward mails, is to leave Singapore for this port to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon.

NEXT Monday (the 5th instant) being a Bank Holiday, the various Government Offices will be closed for public business.

THE British barque *Glamorganshire* reports having passed a full-rigged ship outside, with bulwarks gone. She should put in an appearance early to-morrow.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 31st July, 1878:—

	European.	Chinese.
Thursday, July 25th,	69	334
Friday, 26th,	75	338
Saturday, 27th,	57	338
Sunday, 28th,	65	452
Monday, 29th,	31	268
Tuesday, 30th,	70	384
Wednesday, 31st,	60	384
Totals,	477	2,125
Grand total, 2,602.		

THE final performance given last night by Dr Silvester and Professor Fay at the City Hall was certainly a good dollar's worth, and the large number who attended seemed to be of that opinion. In the programme there appeared several novel features, one of which—"Professor" Fay's tricks of an amateur "local magician"—was successfully got over and heartily applauded. The Panorama, Entangled Lady, and the Fountain, were represented with good effect, though in a slightly abridged form; and the entertainment was concluded by Professor Fay's dark scenes. Mr Fay goes about his work in a quiet, business-like way, and seems to betray anything but trepidation on account of his "seeming" dealings with the powers of darkness. He frankly remarked last night that it was not part of his business to describe or explain how his apparent mysteries were performed; he simply did them, and left the public to come to what conclusion they thought proper. This was a position at which not even "Young Thespian" could take exception.

When the gas was put out the Professor having been to all appearances adequately bound by a rope to a chair, the phosphorized guitars and other instruments were seen to dart and sail through the air, while the strings were played upon, the tambourines rattled and the bells rung;—when the gas was re-lit, the Professor was discovered affixed to the chair as before, while the erstwhile musical instruments were quietly deposited on the table. During one of the dark intervals—a very short one indeed—Mr Fay shot off his dress-coat into the orchestra as quick as lightning; and when light was restored, he sat, imperturbable as ever, with robed wrists and this time in shirt sleeves. The rope having been sealed he next got into some one else's coat, and then out of it. But when, after four Committee men were drawn from the audience to increase the sentries on the watch (one of whom held down the Professor), the musical vagaries were repeated as before, Mr Fay unbound himself, and was greeted with the most enthusiastic plaudits of the entire audience. The dark scenes were assuredly one of the most remarkable, as it was a very enjoyable portion of the entertainment, notwithstanding that it came last in order; and we think that the Company would have done wisely to have given more prominence to it earlier in the day than on the two last nights. The music from the Band of the 74th Highlanders, spite of the fulness of the programme, was very acceptable last

night, notably the cornet solo "The Last Rose of Summer." Dr Silvester and Prof. Fay will perform for one or two evenings at one of the Chinese-Theatres, and large boards covered with Celestial characters may be seen about the streets announcing the fact to the natives.

The following items are from the *Singapore Daily Times*:—

London, July 23.—Major General Sir Garnet Wolseley has proceeded to Cyprus to take up the Government of the Island.

Rome, July 25.—The Italian Ministry has made representations to the Austrian Government disavowing any connection with the agitation regarding the Tyrol and Trieste.

A Court of Inquiry was yesterday (July 24th) held by order of Government, into the stranding of the British steamer *Glamis Castle*, of Glasgow, Captain James Greig, on a reef off the Natunas Islands on the 30th June last.

The Court was composed of F. H. Gottlieb, Esq., President, and Capt. H. Ellis, Master Attendant, with Captain J. M. Smith and Captain Francis Worsley as Nautical Assessors. After a lengthened inquiry, the Court found that the *Glamis Castle* was stranded near the North end of Natunas, which bore S. 45° W. and that the Captain was justified in jettisoning a quantity of tea, &c., which was the means of saving the vessel. The Captain was censured for going at an undue rate of speed in a passage unknown to him and in the vicinity of dangers, but in consideration of his subsequent efforts to save the vessel the Court returned him his certificate.

The Court also commended the conduct of the Officers and Crew, including the Engineers, who worked hard and willingly to save the vessel. Captain Smith, one of the Assessors, differed from the others as to the cause upon the Captain, he being of opinion that Captain Greig was justified in what he did, as the chart did not indicate any dangers in that locality.

The President, in returning Captain Greig's Certificate, remarked that he had much pleasure in doing so, and highly commended the coolness and resolution he had displayed. He also spoke in a very favorable manner of the conduct of the officers, to whom he returned their certificates.

The following extract, taken from the *Lancet*, relative to a letter written by Dr. Houghton, Principal Government Medical Officer in Sarawak, regarding a poisonous fish found on the coast of Borneo, and which may be frequently seen in the market here, may be of interest to many of the residents here:—

"The fish is called the Ikan Buntal, and is by no means pleasant to look at, being flabby and covered with short spines, having the power of blowing itself out in a globular form, and when handled in this state it emits a sound resembling like a grunt. Some few days before the date of Dr. Houghton's letter he was called to visit a number of persons who were reported to be dying; on going to the various houses he found thirteen had been seized with symptoms of poisoning after eating the roe of the Buntal. Three of the sufferers had succumbed to the effects of the poison, and were lying dead; the remaining ten Dr. Houghton was fortunate enough to restore, after vigorous treatment, consisting in stimulants, emetics, friction of the body and application of warmth and caput oil in small doses. The appearance presented by those attacked and who recovered were dilated pupils, blueness of lips, spasms of throat, contractions of the limbs, stertor, with greatly lowered temperature. In those who did the tongue was white and mottled, the mouth showing a peculiar business. The time which elapsed from eating the fish to that of death was from 20 minutes to half an hour. In searching for parallel cases, it was found that some years ago, two sailors were poisoned from eating a small portion of the liver of the same kind of fish (Tetraodon didid) at the Cape of Good Hope, and died in 17 minutes. Large quantities are eaten by the Malays and Dyaks, who have many peculiar superstitions connected with the mode of cooking, in which, perhaps, may be found the cause of the immunity enjoyed as a rule from the effects of the fish. One of the remedies in which natives have much faith is the curious process of placing the sufferer on a platform of sticks on which the fish is smoked, and keeping up a good fire underneath, sufficiently guarded not to burn the body."

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

August 2, 1878.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Chung Aze, a coolie, was fined 20 shillings, or in default 21 days' hard labour, for being found in possession of a quantity of composition nails.

Fong Afat, a coolie, was fined \$20 or 2 months' hard labour for a similar offence.

LARCENY FROM THE M. M. STEAMER.

"ANADYR."

Wong Ayan, a servant, was charged with stealing a binocular glass from the steamer *Anadyr* previous to her leaving for Shanghai. The robbery was traced to the defendant owing to the stolen property being found exposed for sale on the stall of a dealer of old wares at Lower Macao Row. It was proved that defendant sold the glass to the dealer in old wares, and he said that he bought it in a foreign country. Captain Moreau, the Commander of the *Anadyr*, said, the glass was his property. It was all safe on the morning of the 6th July, on the 8th it was not to be found. A watch was also missed at the same time. Witness had no knowledge of the defendant.

Defendant now said that he bought the glass from a man on the *Praya*, who said that he had bought it at Macao. Defendant denied having stolen the glass, but could not point out the man from whom he bought it.—Six months' hard labour.

DISHONEST CHAIR COOLIE.

Lum Aui (chair coolie No. 314), was charged with stealing one sovereign from the person of a seaman named Andrew Peterson. Some chair coolies were seen by a loking (No. 196) disputing near the Sailor's Home, and a European seaman sitting down close by, drunk. The loking thinking all was not right, questioned them, and from what he heard taxed the defendant with robbing the seaman. P. O. No. 4 (O. Bond) came up and searched the defendant, and the sovereign was found

concealed on his person. A coolie proved seeing the defendant take a gold coin out of the seaman's purse which he held open in his hand.—Andrew Peterson said that he resided at the Sailor's Home. When he left the Home after dinner he had 2 English sovereigns and a \$5 bill, besides a lot of small silver in his purse. He got drunk, and when he came to himself he found only a rupee and six copper cents. He knew nothing of what became of the missing money.—Defendant said he did not intend to steal the coin, he only picked it up and was going to take care of it for the man as he was very drunk.—Four months' hard labour.

MORE DISHONEST CHAIR COOLIES.

Lam Akwai and Teol Ahip, bearers of chair No. 629, were charged on remand by Inspector Thompson with picking the pockets of a seaman named James Beattie, whilst drunk in their chair. They then charged the seaman with neglecting to pay chair-hire.

The security for licensed bearer of chair No. 692 was called and deposited that neither of the defendants were the men whom he had secured.

The properly licensed man came forward and said he had loaned his chair and license to another man, not the defendants. The other man lent the chair to the defendants. 1st defendant said he picked the seaman's discharge up as he was carrying the European out of the chair to the Station.

The 1st defendant, who had been previously convicted for larceny of \$16 from a seaman, was sent to 6 months' hard labour. 2nd defendant was fined \$20 or 2 months' hard labour for picking for hire without a license, and the properly licensed chair bearer was fined \$5 or 14 days' hard labour for illegally transferring his license.

DRUNKENNESS.

William Martin, cook British ship *Bertie Bigelow*, was fined 50 cents for the above offence.

Walter Wright, fireman British steamer *Strathmore*, was fined 50 cents for a similar offence.

DESERTER.

Domingo Ramos, a private of the Gun *Laesara*, was charged with being a deserter. He admitted the charge and was handed over to the military authorities.

OBTAINING A BURIAL CERTIFICATE BY FALSE PRETENCES.

Ching Shan Wing, doctor, residing at the Wong Wo Tong shop, No. 149, Queen's Road West, was charged by the Registrar General with making a false statement touching the particulars regarding the death of a man named Wong Ahik.

The case was remanded pending the termination of the *Chromer's* enquiry; the deceased said his throat, and was represented as having died of fever.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT AND CRUELTY AGAINST THE FREEDERICK.

Michael Burke, late 2nd mate of the *Frederick*, was charged on remand with violently assaulting a seaman named Raab, belonging to the same vessel on the high sea. Raab has since died. The evidence bearing on this case is almost identical with what transpired at the Summary Jurisdiction Court before Mr Russell, and must be fresh in the minds of our readers.

August Leonhardt, lately one of the seamen on board the *Frederick*, was examined to-day. He related the various acts of ill-usage which the deceased had been subjected to by the Captain and Chief Officer, as well as the accused. He said that the accused used to keep watch over them in port; the forecabin doors were locked, and accused walked up and down the deck with a revolver. The mate on one occasion struck Raab on the head with a slung shot. The blood spattered over witness's hand. He was on the lookout the night they left Batavia, and saw accused strike Raab with the anger handle. The crew were all afloat, the cook was knocking about the decks. The accused told Raab to get up, and asked him, "What did you tell the British Consul?" Deceased said something about the Dutch army. Accused then struck Raab with the anger handle, and he said "Mr Burke, Mr Burke, I will jump overboard." I saw the deceased wipe some of the blood up with his cap. Deceased appeared to be weak whilst at his work. He was visibly losing flesh. The mate struck him on one occasion for coming out on deck with his dress in disorder. The mate struck him so violently with his fist that blood issued from his nose and ears. Deceased told witness that he was afraid to go and tell the Captain he was so sick, for fear he should get thrashed again. Witness was certain that he had seen blood issuing from deceased's ears after the mate struck Raab.

By the accused.—The forecabin was not so far down the night we left Batavia but what I could see on to the deck. I did not see Raab fall down when we were washing the mud off the Chain cable.

At this stage the case was remanded until Monday, at 2 p.m.

China.

TIENTSIN.

July 20th.

This has been the most trying day of the season; a hot wind blowing from the S. W. all day, and the mercury at 103° in the shade. The heat was moderated slightly this evening, and we are hoping more rain may come soon.

There is still much sickness among the Chinese, but the general health of foreigners is fair.

A ball, weighing several tons, has recently been landed at the private wharf of the C. M. S. N. Co., a present, I believe, from the German Government to H. E. the theory. We learn it is to be mounted at the "treaty temple" Arsenal.—N. C. D. News.

Japan.

(Japan Mail.)

By no means the least interesting event of the week has been the launch of the *Asahi* gun, which took place on Tuesday evening last, the 18th, at Yokosuka. It is a screw propeller gunboat of about 254 feet beam, and her engine is nominally of 120 horse power, and is intended to carry 7 heavy guns. She lay on the ways ready for launching, and her deck bearing the national flag and a number of party colors. At the end of the slip and opposite the bow of the vessel, a temporary derrick, fastened, with evergreens and draped with flags, had

been erected for the accommodation of distinguished visitors, in front of which a body of cadets and sailors had been drawn up, the Marine band being in attendance. The Russian corvette *Vladik* had left the anchorage at Yokohama in the morning for Yokosuka, taking down the Admiral and staff, and these were the first to appear. Shortly afterwards the Imperial Highnesses Fushimi-no-Miya, Higashi-Fushimi-no-Miya, and Kita-shikawa-no-Miya appeared, and took the seats prepared for them, being accompanied by Iwakura Udajin, His Ex. Hts. the Home Minister, Admiral Kusunoki, the Minister of the Navy, Rear Admirals Itô, Nakamura, and Akamatsu, and the Captains of some of the Japanese men-of-war lying at Yokohama, while the dockyard officials at once directed the carpenters to commence knocking away the shores and wedges from the vessel, the band meanwhile playing several lively airs. This work was soon completed, the bow of the gunboat was raised, and when all was ready, at a given signal, a few blows on the wedge forward started the vessel. She glided swiftly down the ways and without any mishap dashed into the sea precisely as the dockyard clock struck six, amidst the cheers of the crowd who thronged every post of vantage. The vessel was hauled to the dock entrance, which she will enter to be cooped. A coolie carrying a Babcock's extingisher had been stationed near the way block on the vessel's starboard beam, in order to play upon the woodwork and prevent it taking fire, but an over-officious policeman, who did not understand all this, seized the man as an interloper, an action which, unforeseen by either of them, turned the stream from the extingisher on the crowd to the great amusement of the bystanders and the discomfiture of the policeman. At the conclusion of the launch the Russian Admiral and staff were presented to the Imperial Princes, the band meanwhile playing the Russian national anthem which was succeeded by the Japanese national air as the Princes and suite left the stand.

The Straits.

(Singapore Daily Times.)

The N. S. N. Co's steamer *Ophir*, on her last voyage from Singapore to Deli in Sumatra was sunk in the Asahan River by a tree on the trunk of a sunken tree, which caused a leak in her bottom. On the news reaching Batavia, the agents here, under instructions from there, despatched the Company's steamer *Gouverneur General Meyer* to her assistance, but on her arrival there it was found that she could be of no assistance to the wrecked vessel, and consequently she returned to Singapore and left again on Monday week with Captain de Jong, the Company's Assistant Superintendent, divers, and necessary appliances for raising the sunken steamer. The *Petropav* has been temporarily placed on the Sumatra line in the place of the *Ophir*.

In the Supreme Court yesterday, the trial of a Chinese cashier on a charge of embezzling the sum of \$7,029.68, the property of his employer, Messrs. Lind, Asmat & Co., was proceeded with. His Lordship summed up the evidence most carefully, and the Jury retired to consider their verdict, but eventually agreed that they were unable to agree, and they were consequently discharged. The accused was released on bail, and a new trial will be held, commencing probably on Friday.

The godowns compiled by Messrs. Martin, Dyce & Co., were yesterday sold at Public Auction by Messrs. Powell & Co., and realized the sum of \$52,500. The purchaser was Mr. Robert Campbell, of the firm of Messrs. Martin Dyce & Co., and it is very satisfactory to find such fine property falling into such good hands, as Chinese and Arab buyers have been steadily purchasing all the buildings in Commercial Square and are not likely to do much in the way of improvements. House property in Tanjong is still sought after, and we learn that Orange Grove and Mount Sophia were sold lately for much higher prices than would have been paid two years ago. Mount Sophia—long the residence of the P. & O. Agents—fetched as much as \$16,000, which is a high price for a house with only an acre or two of ground about it. The house was bought lately by speculators who realize a handsome profit by the transaction, though the purchase is an unhappy one to the tenants named, as they have to turn out of the house, which they have occupied for so long.

Mr. W. H. Read, Consul General for the Netherlands, has received from the Dutch Resident at Rioh, the following intelligence respecting the ship *Emperor*, bound hence to Mauritius, which we reported a few days ago as lost:—

"An English ship named *Emperor*, has been wrecked on a small island near the island of Mopean, South coast of Bintang. As soon as I heard of it I gave orders to the Captain of the steamer *Telegraph*, to go to the assistance of the wrecked. He returned yesterday morning, 24th instant, with the unfortunate sailors and passengers (15 Chinese) who will be conveyed to Singapore in the *Telegraph*, so soon as the necessary papers are prepared."

This does not seem to agree with the report, as it at first reached us that the *Emperor* had been lost on Table Island, Geopar Straits.

THE NORTHERN TERRITORY.

Port Darwin, 8th June 1878.

There is very little news this month to report from the Northern Territory. It continues to languish, and small hopes are entertained of any favourable re-action for a considerable time. The Chinese who arrived lately on the gold-fields have so far done comparatively little, that is, they have averaged about two penny-weights a day. However two months of the dry season are in and the water in the various creeks and rivulets is drying up so rapidly that fossicking for alluvial gold is out of the question, and the coolies now in the Territory must seek some other employment. They now see that they came too late and find the difficulty of passing over the four months which must intervene before the rain returns. There can be no doubt whatever that from the months of October to the end of April, the coolies could do well in the country with the cradle and tin dish. They have no Europeans to interfere with them; provisions are becoming reasonable; they have no taxation whatever to pay and small quantities of alluvial gold are to be found all over the country for 100 miles square. Their first year will however be a trying one, and they are nearly all leaving the goldfields and making their way down to Palmerston. There the Government have found some kind of employment and all who care to take advantage of the offer can join the Government gang and will find

provisions and expenses a day. There could be no more favourable time for the Government to commence the Railway from the sea-board to the reefs, but the work is continually delayed, for the only reason that the people of Adelaide decline to lay out any money so far from their own doors. A survey party has certainly been sent out to make a preliminary survey of a line from Southport to Pine Creek, 130 miles inland, and they have now reached the reefs and are proceeding with the work, but the report pointing out the probable expenses has to be taken into consideration, and, after all, it may be two or three years before the work is actually begun. Carriage to the reefs is now down to £25 a ton, and there is so much competition in storekeeping that provisions are comparatively cheap. In Palmerston, Rice rules from £23 to £26 a ton, and in the goldfields, vegetables are plentiful, sweet potatoes being sold at two pence a pound. There are no fruits however in the country; the oldest coconut tree about Palmerston will not bear fruit for years, and there are none at all in the interior. Reefing has been extremely dull for some time and work in several districts has altogether ceased, but several parties on the Union are now on very good gold, and next month, I shall probably have the pleasure of reporting a few very rich crushings. The price of gold, however, has been reduced at the bank, the highest figure given being now £3.10s.0d. per ounce, instead of £3.12s.0d.; and the advance is now only £2.10s.0d. per ounce, on melted quartz gold. Of course, the bank charges exchange, freight and insurance, and the return from the Melbourne mint is not known for ten weeks.

We have had several deaths lately and one has been considered deserving of an inquest. A patient in the Hospital named Tasker lost the use of one of his eyes, and insisted on the Surgeon removing it so that he might be able to use a glass one. The doctor consented and applied chloroform, but the patient died in his hands almost at once. This is Doctor Morris's evidence and ought to be a clear statement of the case.

I went out to the Hospital this morning with the intention of removing the eye of the deceased; he was in tolerably good bodily health then; the eye had been giving him great pain for four months; it was at his own request I operated; I took Mr. Whitelaw, and Inspector Folsch to assist me; I gave him the chloroform myself; he took it quietly at first; in about four minutes he began to struggle; he then lay quiet; Mr. Whitelaw drew my attention that his pulse had stopped; I then found his face had turned blue; I immediately pulled out his tongue with forceps, applied artificial respiration, and placed a wet towel over the region of the heart and used the galvanic battery; I tried to restore him for three-quarters of an hour; when we first began, he gave a gasp or two, but afterwards no sign of life. I have some doubts about the chloroform being good; it was supplied by the Government; it was a fresh bottle; came by steamer before last; never been opened before. Death from chloroform is not uncommon. I knew he was an unhealthy subject through drink. He had been off and on about four months in the Hospital.

The jury very sensibly brought in a verdict: "That George Tasker died under chloroform while undergoing an operation."—*Straits Times*.

THE LADIES' DARLING.

A writer says of "the ladies' darling": "The creature is delighted if he can persuade himself that he has reason to think that a score or so of girls are over head and ears in love with him, and there is ground for believing that he would become exalted to the last degree if he were informed that some foolish damsel had pined away and died of a broken heart on his account. The fact that so long as his vanity is ministered to he is indifferent as to what unhappiness devolves upon others, affords a not altogether agreeable but thoroughly reliable index to his character. If he has any conscience deserving of mention he will not systematically make love—directly or indirectly—to those with whom he is brought in contact, but being as he is, utterly reckless of the feelings of his neighbours, he does his best to enslave the many of nine-tenths of the attractive ones whom he meets under circumstances favourable to flirtation. It would be injudicious to deny that he achieves success. It may be that it would be wiser to declare that he does not obtain many triumphs; for some girls are so silly and have such susceptible hearts that they would become fascinated with a mopstick, provided that it was skillfully net up and dressed in male habiliments and called a man, and others, who are a trifle wiser than to be guilty of such stupidity, are still foolish enough to believe nine-tenths of what every shallow-pated noodle tells them. But though this is so, there is cause to hope that the career of the would-be ladies' darling is not one of uninterrupted success, and that he is not the object of no such admiration as he generally imagines. Occasionally he receives a prompt and decided check from ladies who have no wish to be made fools of, or to suffer in reputation, however slightly, in order that he may be glorified, while not a few females play up to him before his face and pour unmeasured contempt upon him behind his back. Nor is it surprising that they should do so, for he gives them every reason to think that he is a shallow and egotistical fool. His conversation consists of a series of dreary inanities, ridiculous compliments which are as insincere as they are in bad taste, and melancholy jokes which consist for the most part of ill-natured speeches at the expense of some unfortunate victim or other. He seldom assumes that his lady friends have brains enough to understand anything except the most superficial matters, and when he does venture to touch on the last new book, picture, new play, new parson or new sensation, he merely repeats the cant jargon which is current in the set in which he moves, and which frequently condemns what is good and praises what is bad. Besides his manner is affected, he wears on his face an everlasting grin, and he is dressed in such a fashion and has such a sinking way about him that he appears altogether as much unlike a gentleman as he could well be. For the rest, he lowers the moral tone of those with whom he associates, and scoffs at everything in which people of correct feeling take an interest."

THE following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE

AT HONGKONG.

When left.	Name.	From.
Nov. 3.	Elizabeth Shields,	Hamburg
Dec. 1.	Glengaber,	Finsbury
25.	G. B. S.,	Liverpool
Jan. 27.	Earl of Devon,	Antwerp
Feb. 23.	Elvetic,	Pennarth
Mar. 9.	Mabel Clark,	Liverpool
28.	Oracles,	Liverpool
28.	Manila II.,	Cuxhaven
30.	Bristolian (s.),	Antwerp
Apr. 6.	Maritime Union,	Cardiff
6.	Benetator,	New York
11.	Hamburg,	Hamburg
15.	Lizzie Parry,	Antwerp
16.	Dartmouth,	London
16.	Invincible,	Pennarth
22.	India,	Cardiff
22.	Hotie Well,	Liverpool
May 1.	Ada Malmore,	London
2.	Misrose,	Liverpool
2.	Comoro,	Pennarth
5.	Imperatrice Elisabeth,	Liverpool
6.	Strathern,	Cardiff
6.	Challenger,	Cardiff
6.	Southern Cross,	Pennarth
12.	Napier,	Cardiff
12.	Don Quixote,	Pennarth
14.	Verona,	New York
17.	Lord Macaulay,	Hamburg
18.	Niagara,	Cuxhaven
22.	Merionethshire (s.),	London
20.	Banban,	London

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Strathmore, Glamorgan.

Commonwealth.

Sailing Vessels.

Melbark, Sydney.

Correa, Sydney.

At Liverpool.

At Hongkong.

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Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 3rd August,
1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S.
ANADYR, Commandant MOREAU,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIMENS,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for
the above places.
Cargo and Specimens will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for
the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specimens and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 2nd August, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
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THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-
parted for San Francisco via Yoko-
hama, on TUESDAY, the 6th August, at
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 5th August. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, July 17, 1878. au6



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton, and
London direct,
Also,
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
SURAT, Captain G. O. BURNE, will
leave this on SATURDAY, the 10th
August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, July 20, 1878. au10

Intimations.

NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHÜREN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC
STUDIO.
IS NOW OPEN.
HOURS FOR SITTING: EVERY DAY FROM
7 TILL 10 O'CLOCK A.M.

MR. H. SCHÜREN respectfully requests
all Persons desirous to have their
Portraits, to notice well the earlier hours
for sitting, as the only means to obtain,
during the present season, those fine half
tints and details so much admired, especially
in White Dresses. Photos taken after
10 o'clock a.m. cannot be guaranteed to be
to every satisfaction.

The Atelier cannot be open for more
than Two Months.

NOVELTY.

MR. H. SCHÜREN'S NEW SALOON
PICTURES.
THE FINEST PRESENTS TO BE CHOSEN.
No Really Elegant Drawing Room should
be without them.

MR. SCHÜREN has much pleasure in
introducing in this Colony, the new
Style of Photos which undoubtedly will
find admirers amongst the intelligent.
The new Saloon Picture is unrivalled for
its effects in artistic lighting and its
beautiful details, especially for Lady's
Evening Dresses and every kind of Ex-
quisite and Plain White Dresses.
Hongkong, July 19, 1878. au10

Intimations.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for
China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the
above Company, are prepared to accept
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon
terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars,
apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER,
and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA.

THE above has pleasure to inform the
public of Hongkong that he has ob-
tained the assistance of Mr. Griffith, for
many years manager and principal operator
to Mr. Saunders of Shanghai, and having
carefully arranged the light of his New
Studio and secured the newest and best
appliances for obtaining the highest excel-
lence in his work, he is now ready to pro-
duce all the Latest Novelties in Photo-
graphic Portraiture.—A large and varied
Assortment of Views always ready. Superior
Enlargements made at shortest notice.

STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.

A FIFTH RETURN of CAPITAL at
the Rate of TWO and ONE-HALF
TABLES per SHARE will be made to
Shareholders of Record on 6th July, Pay-
able at the Office of the Liquidators, on
MONDAY, the 15th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the
Undersigned to Shareholders; or their
lawful representatives, on presentation of
Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 15th
July, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

Shanghai, July 4, 1878. au10

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong for the above-
named Company, is prepared to Grant
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and
on Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

J. Y. VERNON SHAW,
Hongkong, June 1, 1878.

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors:

KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.

PANG YIM, Merchant.

HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.

LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.

LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.

CHANG SING YONG, Merchant.

CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on
Buildings and on Goods stored
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to
DISCOUNT OF 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, Nos. 8 and 9, Praya West.

Hongkong, August 23, 1877. au23

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....Tls. 420,000

PERMANENT RESERVE....." 230,000

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....." 104,000

Total Capital and accumula-
tions this date.....Tls. 754,000

Directors:

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

M. P. EVANS, Esq. C. LUCAS, Esq.

O. KREBS, Esq. W. M. MEYER, Esq.

Secretaries:

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.

London Bankers:

Messrs. BARKING BROTHERS & Co.

Agencies in:

HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the World, at current
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12% for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, AND THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERSIGNED BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contribu-
tors of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1878.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Adria	5	Stewart	Brit.	str.	781	July 16	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay
Albany	5	H. Ashton	Brit.	str.	366	Aug.	2 Douglas LaPrall & Co.	Holhow
Alverton	5	Darnell	Brit.	str.	1086	July 23	Meyer & Co.	.....
Anadyr	5	Moreau	Foh.	str.	2561	July 31	Messageries Maritimes	.....
Argentino	5	Barnett	Brit.	str.	915	April 22	Turner & Co.	.....
Arratoon Apar.	5	Macintosh	Brit.	str.	1392	Aug.	2 David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	.....
Bellona	4	Ahrens	Ger.	str.	789	July 31	Wm. Pustau & Co.	.....
Bombay	2	h	Brit.	str.	749	Feb.	12 Kwok Acheong	.....
Camoes	2	h	Brit.	str.	95	Oct.	2 Kwok Acheong	.....
Charlton	5	Johnson	Brit.	str.	786	July 17	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	.....
Conquest	5	Scott	Brit.	str.	317	Aug.	1 Kwong Lee Yuen	.....
Fame	5	Stapani	Brit.	str.	117	Aug.	H. K. & W'pua Dock Co.	.....
Fitzpatrick	5	Humphreys	Brit.	str.	597	April 18	Geo Chong Hong	.....
Hesperia	5	Paulsen	Ger.	str.	1036	July 26	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Karo	5	Colling	Brit.	str.	979	July 27	Meyer & Co.	.....
Kienchow	2	h	Brit.	str.	str.	str.	.....	.....
Leyte	5	Rinteria	Span.	str.	331	July 30	Russell & Co.	.....
Lorne	5	McCulloch	Brit.	str.	1036	July 1	1 Melchers & Co.	.....
Madagascar	2	Timin	Ger.	str.	884	July 24	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Madras	5	Richardson	Brit.	str.	1079	June 30	Hop Kee	.....
Mayenne	3	Yin Chun Yen	Anna.	str.	778	June 20	.....	.....
Norden	4	Boysen	Dan.	str.	606	June 28	Wm. Pustau & Co.	.....
Norma	3	Walker	Brit.	str.	406	June 28	Kwok Acheong	.....
Oceanic	5	Metcalfe	Brit.	str.	8700	July 20	O. & O. S. S. Co.	.....
Paragua	5	Gil	Span.	str.	402	July 15	Remedios & Co.	.....
Parsee	4	Sergeant	Brit.	str.	1014	July 22	Kwong Wing Shun	.....
Rajasthanianhar	5	Hopkins	Brit.	str.	933	July 24	Yuen Fat Hong	.....
Sea Gull	5	Roberts	Amer.	str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray	.....
Strathleven	5	Pearson	Brit.	str.	1688	July 31	Davis & Co.	.....
Tanals	5	Marcello	Foh.	str.	1735	July 31	Messageries Maritimes	.....
Thales	4	Pocock	Brit.	str.	878	July 4	Douglas LaPrall & Co.	.....
Yangtze	5	Schultz	Brit.	str.	782	June 28	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Yesso	5	S. Ashton	Brit.	str.	560	July 31	Douglas LaPrall & Co.	.....
Yungching	4	Wallace	Chi.	str.	681	Aug.	1 C. M. S. N. Co.	.....
Zamboanga	4	Aranguren	Span.	str.	651	July 23	Landstein & Co.	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Albert Russell	7	Carver	Amer.	bge.	762	July 15	Russell & Co.	.....
Alia D. Cooper	5	Humphrey	Amer.	sh.	1363	July 24	Captain	.....
Alva	5	Souza	Port.	sh.	631	July 16	Brandao & Co.	.....
Annie Lowrey	4	Gales	Brit.	bge.	752	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Anton Gunther	2	Kuhn	Ger.	bge.	440	July 14	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	.....
Areola	5	Penery	Brit.	bge.	547	April 24	Carlovitz & Co.	.....
Athene	5	Findley	Brit.	bge.	605	July 16	Borneo Company, Limited	.....
B. von Middelburg	4	Blanker	Dutch	bge.	628	June 17	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Beethoven	5	Haje	Ger.	bge.	340	Aug.	1 Melchers & Co.	.....
Behncke	5	Hayden	Amer.	bge.	696	Aug.	2 Russell & Co.	.....
Bertie Bigelow	5	Ferguson	Brit.	sh.	1142	July 29	Meyer & Co.	.....
Bua Caso	2	Lange	Slam.	bge.	838	July 25	Yuen Fat Hong	.....
Bua Pan	2	Müller	Slam.	sh.	574	July 29	Kin-tye-long	.....
C. L. Pearson	5	Swain	Amer.	sh.	684	June 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Channel Queen	4	Laichour	Brit.	bge.	609	June 11	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	.....
Charlotte Andrews	5	Place	Brit.	bge.	336	June 19	Rozario & Co.	.....
Charon Wattana	2	Ulrich	Slam.	sh.	585	July 22	Chinese	.....
Christian	4	Kosow	Ger.	sch.	250	Aug.	1 Wieler & Co.	.....
Coeran	5	Cromwell	Amer.	sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	.....
Corrientes	5	Jones	Brit.	bge.	598	Aug.	1 Olyphant & Co.	.....
Cresswell	5	White	Brit.	bge.	484	July 22	Wieler & Co.	.....
Dirigo	5	Staples	Amer.	bge.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Elvidio	5	Fondini	Ital.	bge.	449	Aug.	2 Order	.....
Fair Leader	5	Morris	Brit.	bge.	497	June 16	Russell & Co.	.....
Fantenay	5	Taylor	Brit.	sh.	685	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Franklin	5	Burneau	Foh.	bge.	563	Aug.	2 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Frederick	5	Kernode	Brit.	bge.	809	May 30	Norton & Co.	.....
Frederich	4	Dau	Ger.	bge.	594	May 29	Wm. Pustau & Co.	.....
Glanorgannahire	3	McEachern	Brit.	bge.	456	Aug.	2 Kin-tye-long	.....
Golah	5	Dentzen	Slam.	bge.	542	July 11	Chinese	.....
Hawthorn	4	Mead	Brit.	bge.	298	Aug.	1 Wieler & Co.	.....
Highlander	5	Hutchinson	Amer.	sh.	1852	June 19	Captain	.....
Hiram Emery	7	Wyman	Amer.	bge.	709	July 12	Russell & Co.	.....
Hopetul	1	Doncaster	Brit.	sch.	216	July 14	Douglas LaPrall & Co.	.....
John Pierre	4	Legasse	Foh.	bge.	607	June 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Jessie Jamieson	5	West	Brit.	bge.	604	June 19	Douglas LaPrall & Co.	.....
Julia	5	Rogers	Amer.	sh.	1470	July 15	Russell & Co.	.....
Julia	2	Laney	Foh.	bge.	507	July 5	Carlovitz & Co.	.....
Kate Tatham	4	Pikethly	Brit.	bge.	275	July 4	Adams, Bell & Co.	.....
Kenton	5	Colvin	Brit.	bge.	667	June 3	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Landseer	7	Knowles	Amer.	sh.	1418	July 23	Douglas LaPrall & Co.	.....
Lodre	2	Jones	Brit.	sh.	860	June 19	Meyer & Co.	.....
Lottie Moore	5	Hudson	Amer.	bge.	380	July 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....
Madeleine	5	Pateau	Foh.	bge.	416	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Marquels of Argyle	5	McKeon	Brit.	bge.	590	June 26	Rozario & Co.	.....
Marie Louise	4	Gulboux	Foh.	bge.	684	July 13	Carlovitz & Co.	.....
Mary Blair	1	Riddle	Brit.	bge.	328	July 15	O. & O. S. S. Co.	.....
McNear	7	Taylor	Amer.	sh.	1308	July 22	Butterfield & Swire	.....
Mercur	4	Borgwardt	Ger.	bge.	489	July 11	Wm. Pustau & Co.	.....
Moneta	5	Blaset	Brit.	bge.	621	Aug.	1 O. & O. S. S. Co.	.....
Morning Star	1	Michaelson	Slam.	bge.	570	July 30	Chinese	.....
Moss Glen	4	Carson	Brit.	bge.	549	May 29	Landstein & Co.	.....
Oscar	3	Windhorst	Ger.	bge.	735	July 5	1 Melchers & Co.	.....
Penrith	2	Worlington	Brit.	bge.	549	July 29	Melchers & Co.	.....
Per Ardua	4	Taggart	Brit.	bge.	789	June 14	Meyer & Co.	.....
Phaeton	3	Schoel	Brit.	bge.	576	July 12	Wieler & Co.	.....
Philip Fitzpatrick	3	Phelan	Amer.	bge.	532	July 14	Chinese	.....
Philippine	2	Southwood	Brit.	bge.	301	July 14	Wieler & Co.	.....
Prince Amadeo	5	Linskill	Brit.	sh.	1602	July 30	Messageries Maritimes	.....
Prince Louis	7	Moore	Brit.	sh.	1329	June 29	Olyphant & Co.	.....
Queen of the Seas	1	Harrison	Brit.	bge.	442	July 12	Order	.....
Rifleman	4	Bishop	Brit.	bge.	718	June 2	Rozario & Co.	.....
S. Laugha	5	Porter	Brit.	sh.	340	July 26	Order	.....
San Francisco	3	Landen	Ger.	sch.	284	July 18	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Sarah Bell	7	Dickburn	Ger.	sch.	812	July 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....
Silas Fink	7	Williams	Amer.	bge.	702	May 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Sir Charles Walker	2	French	Brit.	sh.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	.....
Sir Harry Parker	2	Chapman	Brit.	sh.	816	May 22	Meyer & Co.	.....
Sumatra	3	Clough	Amer.	sh.	1090	Sept.	5 Russell & Co.	.....
Sumner M. Read	4	Dixon	Amer.	sh.	1117	July 15	Insurance Company	.....
Ta Hong Kong	1	Buttmann	Slam.	sh.	636	June 6	Yuen Fat Hong	.....
Teodora	4	Lopez	Span.	bge.	627	July 14	Russell & Co.	.....
The Tweed	7	Bice	Brit.	sh.	1745	July 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	.....
Thoon Kramom	2	Vorvath	Slam.	bge.	474	July 29	Siemssen & Co.	.....
Tokata	4	Harrison	Brit.	bge.	805	June 2	Rozario & Co.	.....
Tyburnia	4	Golder	Brit.	bge.	948	June 19	Olyphant & Co.	.....
William Phillips	1	Healy	Amer.	btine.	592	Aug.	2 Russell & Co.	.....
WHAMPOA								
Obocla	.....	Kennett	Brit.	bge.	234	July 20	Chinese	.....
St. Idene	.....	Durand	Foh.	bge.	888	July 24	Carlovitz & Co.	.....
Tartar	.....	Kaemena	Ger.	bge.	256	July 20	Melchers & Co.	.....
Vesta	.....	Ulrich	Ger.	bge.	302	.....	Melchers & Co.	.....
CANTON								
Amoy	.....	Peters	Brit.	str.	614	July 31	Siemssen & Co.	.....